



Matariki

Celebrate the Maori New Year
NZART 100 Years



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There is only one NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION of RADIO TRANSMITTERS.

**Together we protect our spectrum, strengthen, our community,
& secure the future of amateur radio.**

SUPPORT IT TODAY TO PROTECT AMATEUR RADIO TOMORROW!



A message from your NZART President.

Kia ora fellow amateurs!

It was fantastic catching up with so many of you at Conference!

The Auckland Branches pulled off a 100th celebration worthy of the milestone proving that after a century, NZART still knows how to throw a great party.

At the AGM, I gave a whirlwind tour of the past 12 months, covering the highs, the hurdles, and a few "character-building opportunities," all of which have strengthened our resolve to ensure NZART is in great shape for the next 100 years.



My recent report covers the following points of discussion:

- Presentation from the President of IARU VE6SH Tim Ellam
- Shared views from members on issues around membership
- Changes that will have effect on NZART
- NZART Values and propositions
- Discussion and views on the success of Menz Shed and its purpose.

**Lastly, I thank all of you NZART members for your continued support of the organisation.
Stay safe, stay warm. Until next time.**

73

ZL2AJ Warren Harris
NZART President

Message from Councillor ZL1DKS Cam Wood:

Kia ora koutou katoa,

While Debby is on leave, I've been given the important mission of keeping her inbox looking **somewhat** under control. Thanks to everyone who has emailed in for your understanding (**and impressive patience**) while I work through everything with the help of the fantastic people around me.



It's been a great month, with 32 new members joining in June! Most are HamCram graduates, along with a few familiar faces returning to the hobby. To all of you **Welcome to the NZART family!**

Over the past couple of weeks, I've discovered just how much happens behind the scenes at HQ. On any given day we're answering questions from RSM, helping a radio amateur in Germany understand New Zealand regulations so they can assist friends here, and handling around 2-5 callsign enquiries.

It's been a crash course in just how much this office does!

It has also reminded me **WHY NZART MATTERS:**

- We represent New Zealand amateurs at home and internationally,
- maintain our strong relationship with RSM,
- support our place in the IARU, and
- help ensure we enjoy benefits like HAREC and reciprocal licensing.

Those things don't just happen!

They happen because of NZART and its members!

At the end of the day, NZART isn't just an office or a Council, it's all of us – every member, branch, and specials interest group.

Without you, there is no NZART; and without NZART, our hobby wouldn't be what it is today.

Catch you down the log!

73,

Cam Wood

NZART Executive Council - Inbox Monitor



TopFest

Call for Speakers!

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This year Westfest has changed venues and names:

Topfest is being held in Blenheim on **Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th of September** at the Vintage Car Club rooms, Brayshaw Park, **26 Arthur Baker street.**

If you would like to deliver a talk, we would love to hear from you!

Expect a **further announcement in August.**

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Whangarei

Annual Equipment sale.

Whangarei Amateur Radio Club Br. 28

Our Annual Used Equipment Sale will be held at our Club Rooms, Heritage park, Whangarei **Saturday 25th July 2026.**

Doors open for **Sellers at 9am & Buyers at 10am.** Bookings for a (900mm) sales table at \$10 available contact Paul ZL1PC 021926952

Sausages, Sandwiches, Cakes, Tea and Coffee on sale! A good selection of Gear will be on Offer!

Talk In available on local repeaters

146.650MHz & 438.700MHz



WRTC is almost here!

The **W**orld **R**adios port **T**eam **C**hampionship (**WRTC**) is the Amateur Radio contesting equivalent of the Olympics, and **it's almost here!** Every four years, the world's best contest operators qualify to represent their region at a host country.

This year, the 10th WRTC is being held in the United Kingdom.

Fifty two-person teams, each with an independent referee, will operate from identical HF stations across Southeast England during the 24-hour IARU HF Championship on 11–12 July.

The identical stations ensure the competition is decided by operator skill alone.

This is your chance to work the special WRTC stations during the contest and qualify for a WRTC award!

Callsign usage
for **Trademe** Name



Olivier Wardecki, ZL1XS, would like to make the amateur radio community aware that

a Trade Me seller is using her callsign ZL1XS to sell amateur radio equipment.

To avoid any confusion, Olivier would like everyone to know that **she is not associated with this Trade Me account** or the items being sold. If you come across these listings, please be aware that they **are not connected with her.**

If you notice the ZL1XS callsign being used in this way again, please consider reporting the listing to **Trade Me** so they can investigate and





RandomGram CW Event – 25/26 July

The next **RandomGram CW Event** begins on **25 July at 2200 UTC** and runs for 24 hours on all non-WARC bands. Operators can also take part during the **Oceania activity period on 26 July from 0700–0900 UTC**, when more local stations are typically active.

Participants need to request their unique code groups from **Drew AF2Z** before the event and should remember to **affiliate with Team Oceania** for each event if they want their points to contribute to the team's total.

To improve your chances of making contacts, announce your operating frequency on the **SKCC Sked** page, where active RandomGram stations coordinate their activity. RandomGram is designed to build CW skills.

You can **earn points** by both **sending and receiving** code groups, and even **listening via SDRs** counts. Simply submit the code groups you copied by email after the event.

For full details, visit the RandomGram Groups at <https://groups.io/g/RandomGram>



Traditionally, **Matariki** (Te Mātahi o te Tau) signifies the **end of the harvest and the start of a new season**. To celebrate the rich heritage of Te Ao Māori (the Māori world), Matariki is observed as a **national statutory holiday**.

We hope you enjoy and embrace the holiday with friends and whanau.